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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALBAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, 14, Gresham Street, E. C. BATES & HENRY, 37, Walbrook, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILDE, 151, Cannon Street, E. C. ROBERT WATSON, 14, Pall Mall, S. C. PARIS AND EUROPE:—ADEMEZ PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK:—ANDREW WOOD, 21, Park Row. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. SINGAPORE:—W. M. SMITH & CO., THE ARTIFERIES CO., Colombo. SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SALEY & CO., Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Singapore. CHINA:—MACEO, F. A. DE CRUZ, Sotter, OUTLOR & CO., Amoy, N. MOALE, Foochow, HEDDON & CO., Shanghai, LING, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & CO.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,560,000
RESERVE FUND, \$43,10,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
TECTORS, \$7,500,000

CO. OF DIRECTORS
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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MANAGER
Shanghai, EVER CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS, London and County
Bank

HONGKONG
INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account, at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.
On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 5 " 4 per cent. " "
" 13 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Deposits granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 27, 1889. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1. The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2. Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3. Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4. Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5. Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with every payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6. Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked "On Hongkong Savings' Bank" is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7. Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

Intimations.

ST. JOHN LODGE
OF HONGKONG,
No. 618, S.C.

A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREE-MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 11th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, May 11, 1889. 877

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG,
No. 1165.

A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FRAZER-MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY NEXT, the 16th Inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, May 8, 1889. 888

Intimations.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITY that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from Stone cutter Island, South Shore Battery, between the hours of 6.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on the 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th Instant.

The line of FIRE will be in a South Westerly direction from the battery.

ALL SHIPS, JUNKS and OTHER VESSELS are CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Range.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 9th May, 1889. 881

THE RICHMOND TERRACE ESTATE
AND BUILDING COMPANY
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary
General MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Office, outside the Hongkong Dispensary,
on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement
of Account to the 31st December, 1888.

THE REGISTER of SHARES will be
CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 9th Instant,
to MONDAY, the 13th Instant, both days
inclusive, during which period no Transfer
of Share can be registered.

And, Notice is further given that an
EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING
of the Company will be held at the same
place on the same day, at a quarter past after
Noon, when the following Special Resolu-
tion will be proposed:—

That the Share Capital of the Company
be increased to \$100,000 by the issue of
667 New Shares of \$100 each, and
that such New Shares be offered in the
first instance, on terms to be determined
by the General Manager, to all the
Members on the Register on the 14th
day after the Meeting.

JOHN WILLMOTT,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 4, 1889. 882

HONGKONG CLUB.

A EXTRAORDINARY General MEET-
ING of the MEMBERS of the CLUB
will be held in the CLUB LIBRARY, on
MONDAY, 13th May, 1889, at 12.30 p.m., for
the purpose of Confirming the Resolution
passed at the Extraordinary General Meet-
ing on the 25th April, 1889.

By Order, C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 2, 1889. 883

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary
General MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Office,
on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, at Three
o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General Manager,
together with a Statement of Account to the
31st December, 1888.

THE REGISTER of SHARES will be
CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 9th Instant,
to MONDAY, the 13th Instant, both days
inclusive, during which period no Transfer
of Share can be registered.

And, Notice is further given that an
EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING
of the Company will be held at the same
place on the same day, at a quarter past three
o'clock in the afternoon, when the following
special Resolutions will be proposed:—

1. That the present Share is the Capital
of the Company of \$100.00 each be
sub-divided into Shares of Ten Dollars
each to admit of a wider distribution of
the Capital of the Company.

2. That with a view to the extension
of the business of the Company and the
purchase of additional premises in
Queen's Road Central and at Kowloon
the Capital of the Company be increased
to the sum of \$500,000.00 by the issue
of 12,000 New Shares of the Value of
Ten Dollars each, and that such New
Shares be disposed of by the General
Manager in such a way as to the
Shares in the Original Capital of the
Company, in such manner as to such
terms and at such premium as shall in
the interest of the Company determine.

3. That a new Share which shall not
have been accepted will be deemed to
be declined.

FOURS OF ACCEPTANCE and BANKER'S
RECEIPTS may be obtained on application
at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank or at
the Company's Office, No. 9, Queen's Road.

Dated 2nd day of May, 1889.

By Order, A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 4, 1889. 885

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General MEETING of the
Company will be held at the Company's
REGISTERED OFFICE, No. 13, Praya, Victoria,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 21st day of
May instant, at 12 o'clock noon, when the
following Special Resolution will be pro-
posed, viz.:—

That the Company may from time to time
reduce its Capital.

By Order of the Board,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1889. 874

VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL,
YOKOHAMA.

THIS SCHOOL, situated in a very
healthy position on the Bay, provides
good EDUCATION for BOYS from
8 to 17. Boarders taken. Prospectus with
Office of this Paper.

C. H. HINTON, M.A., OXON,
Head Master.

WANTED.

FOR MANILA.—A Good NURSE or
NURSERY GOVERNESS. Roman
Catholic in preference. Apply, stating
Terms required and Reference, to "A. S.
Office of this Paper,"
Hongkong, May 9, 1889. 883

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG,
No. 1165.

A Regular MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FRAZER-
MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on THURS-
DAY NEXT, the 16th Inst., at 8.30 for 9
p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS are
cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, May 8, 1889. 888

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF

SPRING & SUMMER HOSIERY

AND
Gentlemen's Outfitting Goods:

SUN HATS.

BOOTS AND SHOES. UMBRELLAS AND STICKS.

HANDKERCHIEFS AND COLLARS, SCARVES, TIES AND CRAVATS.

SPRING SUITINGS.

AND TO ARRIVE EX GLENARTNEY,

RAIN COATS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, April 16, 1889.

730

W. POWELL & CO.

BY STEAMSHIP PESHAWAR.

A PRELIMINARY ASSORTMENT OF THE
LATEST NOVELTIES

SUMMER DRESS MATERIALS.

W. POWELL & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, April 30, 1889.

814

VICTORIA HOTEL,
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

1612

ROBERT LANG & CO.,
Trimmers, Tailors, Shirtmakers and Gentlemen's Outfitters.

SUMMER GOODS.

WE ARE NOW SHOWING OUR NEW STOCK
OF COATINGS, TROPICAL TWEDDS, SERGES, FLANNELS, DRILLS,
TERAI, PITI AND STRAW HATS,
and
GENTLEMEN'S UNDER CLOTHING.

QUEEN'S ROAD (opposite HONGKONG HOTEL),
Hongkong, May 10, 1889. 886

1613

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHEE DUA
SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Share-
holders who are desirous of taking
up the N & W SHARES to which they
are entitled in respect of the Share of which
they were the registered holders on the
date of the confirmation and in pursuance
of the special Resolution passed on the 4th
April, 1889, and confirmed on the 20th
April, 1889, must accept the same and pay
the sum of \$10 for each New Share so
accepted to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION, at Hongkong, on
or before the 29th day of May instant, after
which date the New Shares which shall not
have been accepted will be deemed to be
declined.

FOURS OF ACCEPTANCE and BANKER'S
RECEIPTS may be obtained on application
at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank or at
the Company's Office, No. 9, Queen's Road.

Dated 2nd day of May, 1889.

By Order, A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 3, 1889. 885

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THIS Company having PURCHASED
THE MILLS from the HONGKONG
STEAM SAW MILL CO. (Ltd.), Bowrington,
are prepared to Contract

Mails.

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship ARABIC will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SUNDAY, the 12th May, at Daylight.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office, and 6 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco, &c., \$200.00

San Francisco and return, 350.00

available for 6 months, 350.00

To Liverpool, 325.00

To London, 330.00

To other European ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option of proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco, for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Connote Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. on the 8th May.

All parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked in address in full; and the same will be received by us until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight apply to

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES, AND EUROPE, VIA THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY AND OTHER CONNECTING RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British S.S. PORT AUGUSTA, 2,833 Tons Register, Captain, Commander to Yokohama, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, V. C. CO., and PORT FAIRY, on TUESDAY, the 14th May, at Noon.

To be followed by the S.S. PARTHIA, on the 23rd May, and S.S. PORT FAIRY, on the 6th June.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office, and 6 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

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For information as to Passage or Freight apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 7, 1889. 805

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF SYDNEY will be despatched for San Francisco, via Kobe and Yokohama on SATURDAY, 18th May, at 4 p.m., taking Passengers and Cargo for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, via Kobe and Yokohama on SATURDAY, 18th May, at 4 p.m., taking Passengers and Cargo for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco, for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Connote Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, May 10, 1889. 777

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,

MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

ALSO LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ON THURSDAY, the 23rd of May, 1889, at Noon, the Company's S.S. CALCEDONIAN, Commandant du Maréchal, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 22nd May, 1889. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Comments and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, May 10, 1889. 892

Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL

AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. OPAQUE, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWNS COMPANY, LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned, before Noon on the 12th April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th Inst., at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 12th Inst. will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 1 p.m. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 6, 1889. 800

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crews of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

HARVEY E. TAYLOR, British barque, Capt. J. McCamachy—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

ITALIA, American ship, Capt. C. H. Ally—Russell & Co.

Hongkong, May 10, 1889. 892

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

Under the distinguished Patronage of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR G. WILLIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.

M A D A M E C O R A,

THE CELEBRATED AND ONLY

LADY ILLUSIONIST OF THE WORLD.

OPENING ENTERTAINMENT,

on

Tuesday,

the 14th May, 1889.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 p.m.

PRICE \$2 and \$1.

Plates and Tickets at MESSRS. KELLY & WAISH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, May 10, 1889. 886

FOR SALE.

J U L E S M U M M & CO., CHAMPAGNE,

Quarts, \$20 per dozen of 1 doz.

Pints, \$21 per dozen.

Other French & de Gervon & Co.'s

BORDEAUX CLARET AND WHITE WINES

Baron's Celebrated 'Barley Bree'

WHISKY, \$7 per Case of 1 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, July 18, 1889. 1187

FOR SALE.

THE HONGKONG & FOOTHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship

AMOY & FOOTHOW.

Captain KOHLER, will be

despatched for the above

Port on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, at

4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO.,

Hongkong, May 11, 1889. 886

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOTHOW.

Captain ROACH, will be

despatched for the above

Port on TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, at

10.30 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LA PRAIA & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 11, 1889. 887

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW.

The Co.'s Steamship

AMOY & FOOTHOW.

Captain ROACH, will be

despatched for the above

Port on TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, at

10.30 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., General Managers.</

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Passage SUMMER CANAL
OUTWARD:—*Spirit of Feb. 22; Nantes, March 8; Leev, 15; Monach, 19; Kirklands, April 2; Denbighshire, 5; Duke of Buckingham, 6; Probate, 12; Shetland, 16; Cleve, 17; Devonshire, 12; St. Peter's, 18; Cleve, 19; Monmouthshire, Neckar, Telemachus, Lennox, Unionist, Sikk, Athlone, 23; Brindisi, Caspian, Mount Lebanon, 25; Melburne, 30.*

HOWARD BOUND.—*Hesperiæ, Wethersfield, May 12; Ringers, 13; Amphitrite, April 2; Jason, Danish, Pet. Admire, Aeroplane, Red Sea, Kent, 23; Cardigan, Cleopatra, Cleopatra, Yangtze, 26; Electra, Prometheus, 30.*

Tho. P. & Co.'s steamer *Suffolk*, with the English Mail of March 24th, left Singapore on March 26th, the 4th inst., at 5.30 p.m., and may be expected here on Saturday, the 11th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on March 6. The P. & Co.'s steamer *City of Sydney*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of April 15th, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 7th May, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 13th May.

The O. & S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanic*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of April 23, leaves Yokohama on Saturday, the 12th May, at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 18th May.

The a. a. *Japan*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 11th May, and may be expected here on or about the 17th May.

The D. R. steamship *Daphne* left Singapore on the 11th instant and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 17th instant.

The Canadian Pacific S. Co.'s str. *Fairfield*, from Vancouver April 10th, left Yokohama for Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong on May 3d.

ORDER OF GENERAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—*30th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER.* Matthew—Voluntary, Chorals, Dusley; Venite, Burrows; Psalms, 1; Caniope; Te Deum, Bayton Smith; Jubilate, Sanger Anthan, "Lord; Most Holy" Litany; Hymn, 232; Voluntary, Chorus, Hymn.

Evansong—Voluntary, Andante, Smart; Psalms, Garrett, &c.; Magnificat, & Nunc Dimittis; Parian Tones; Hymns, 240, 242 & 16; Voluntary, March, Calkin.

Messrs David Sasse, Sons & Co. inform us that the a. a. *Japan*, from Calcutta, left Singapore to-day for this port.

Rev. W. Jennings will hold a service at the Peak Church (Catholicon service) at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

Messrs Siemson & Co. inform us that the D. R. steamship *Daphne* left Singapore for this port at 10 a.m. to-day.

It will be observed that the a. a. *City of Sydney*, which leaves Hongkong on the 18th inst., for San Francisco, will call both at Kobe and Yokohama on the way.

THE Agent of the O. & S. S. Co. informs us that the a. a. *Oceanic*, with mails from San Francisco to the 23rd April, has arrived at Yokohama and will leave for this port to-morrow (Sunday), at 6 p.m.

DIVINE SERVICE FOR SEANES.—On Sunday morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch carrying the Bethel flag will call alongside any vessel hoisting code-pennant C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12.30.

This profound calm which prevails over the picturesque and savoury village of Abergavenny was broken last night by the fire-fight. Thanks to the exertions of the local fire brigade, under Inspector Gauvin, the damage was overcome after having consumed two stacks of grass, of the value of fifty dollars.

BUSINESS was so poor at the Police Court to-day that Mr. Pollock had a half-holiday. He sentenced a couple to a month's hard labour for robbing a pair of earrings from a woman, and the two servants from the Hall and Holtz Co's establishment, charged with stealing certain articles belonging to their employers, were sent to gaol for ten weeks.

A WOMAN named Li Aiyi fell down a flight of stairs in Hollywood Road to-day and sustained injuries from which she died shortly afterwards. She had been sitting on a chair taking a siesta at the top of the stairs, and fell forward in her sleep; and the stairs being of the usual breakneck Chinese kind she rolled down into the street. The people of the house had her sent to the Tung Wah Hospital, but she was beyond medical aid.

A NEW INVENTION.—A rifle cartridge has been invented in France, and our preceding news have been obtained with it from the Vincennes range. The new cartridge, which is similar in appearance, weight and every other detail to the Lebel cartridge, is claimed to possess considerable advantages. In the first place, the metal jacket is entirely dispensed with, and the cartridge can be instantly adapted to all military uses, especially the Gras, which is still borne by the French territorial corps. Finally, the cartridge is said to be smokeless, and does not foul or clog the barrel, whilst the cost is 70 per cent. below the price of the ordinary cartridge.—*Broad Arrow*.

THE GRAPHOPHONE.—Dr. B. W. Richardson, F.R.S., has been experimenting with the graphophone in order to record sounds, and is so satisfied that a paper contributed to the *Times* he writes:—"Out of a roll of paper, accidentally used by Leaven, the stethoscope was elaborated, and a new mode of diagnosis, wider, portentous of any, was broached to the medical world. Rich, the publisher of *Graphic*, has, in his *Graphic*, that the different kinds of epine indicative of different sensibilities to pain can be rendered diagnostically, and that any sound whatever, indicative of health or disease, and even animal motion, that admits of being translated into sound, can now be recorded, made permanent, and reproduced any number of times, for comparison, demonstration, or observation."

DIVORCE RETURNS OF THIRTY YEARS.—The return moved for Mr Gladstone of the number of suits introduced year by year from the date of the establishment of the Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, first in that court and subsequently in the Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division, for judicial separation and divorce, just bears witness to the remarkable decline with the thirty years ended with 1887.

That it is conceivable that some fault in the direction of the Brigade might call for censure, and that in such a case he would have to "jump on" himself, and report himself to the Government, and deal with the report as a member of the Executive Council, and—

That it makes one dizzy to think of the awful tangle he might get into.

That the Praya extension scheme will soon be under weigh and contractors are promising themselves a good old time.

That the S. G. department is in such a deplorable condition that we should be glad to see our permanent Surveyor General on the spot.

That if he comes soon there may be a chance of the Victoria College being ready before next prize distribution.

That it is just a chance the school may be ready before our guns arrive, but both events are so uncertain that I should not care to take bets.

That weddings with full choral accompaniment have been the sensation of the past week.

That in spite of the beauty of the bells within, the discord of the bells without was such as almost to make marriage appear a failure.

That recently three officials and an Anamite cook had a narrow escape from poisoning by the gallant and somewhat frolicksome General, there can be no doubt of his being, from its very position, a nuisance, and its long existence does not reflect much credit on those responsible, who are very people intrusted with the suppression of nuisances.

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THE CHILD AND THE TRAMP.
The following lines from Mrs. Platt's book of poems, 'The Witch of Glass' (Stock), are supposed to be addressed to a well-to-do child, surfeited with amusition, to a tramp outside the window.

It's not so nice here as it looks,
With shiny things keeps breaking so,
And if you sit in Tennyson's books
Too long to look in—is it, though?

If you just had to sit here (Well!)
In such a chair, too blue to touch,
And look at flowers too sweet to smell,
In vase—would you like it much?

If you see any flowers, they grow,
And you can find them in the sun.
These are the ones we buy, you know,
In winter-time—when there are none!

Then you can sit on rocks, you see,
And walk about in water, too.
Because you have no shoes? Dear me!
How many things they let you do!

Then you can sleep out in the shade,
All day, I guess, and all night too,
Because—you know, you're not afraid
Of other folks just like you!

BRILLIANT VENUS.

LITTLE TRAINED OF THE PLANETS IN THE HUNDRED YEARS.

Whoever looks at the western sky in one of the bright evenings of this month will behold as fair a sight as the heaven can contain—the planet Venus, which is rapidly approaching its sister planet, the earth, increasing in splendor from day to night. Revolving around the sun within the orbit of the earth, Venus presents greater and greater contrast to the other planets. When it is to the far part of its orbit on the other side of the sun from the earth, it is seen partially as an inconspicuous phenomenon; but when, rushing along its invisible path at the rate of more than twenty miles by a second, it rounds into that part of its

court lying between the earth and the sun, it expands in the sunset sky before the wondering eyes of terrestrial watchers like the beacon of some vast ship of space entering our heavens from the outer deep. That is the appearance which Venus presents now, and its brilliancy will increase until the last week of March, when, arriving in between us and the sun, it will present less and less of the illuminated portion of its disk to us, until finally it is lost behind its disappearance from the evening sky. Venus will race almost side by side with the earth, gradually closing the gap until it comes in line with the solar god. During this time, as viewed with a telescope, it will appear in the form of a crescent, large and exceedingly beautiful crescent.

In these days, when people are wondering over the invention of the great Lick telescope, it seems an anti-natural thing to say that we know little more of the illuminated portion of Venus, which thus challenges us, as it dashes past us, with such rapidity. Yet such is the fact. The reason that causes the Lick telescope to be so much more applicable to the observation of Venus than to the other planets is that Venus has not been so far removed from us before it becomes observable, and its disappearance from the eye of the observer is due to the fact that the atmosphere of the planet is so thin that the eye can no longer perceive it. The atmosphere of Venus is thin, and the light from the planet is not strong enough to penetrate it. The atmosphere of Venus is thin, and the light from the planet is not strong enough to penetrate it.

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SHARE LIST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday Noon, 11th May, 1889.

STOCKS.	Type of Stocks.	Copied No. of Shares.	Per share amount per share.	Reserve Fund.	POSITION IN LAST REPORE.		DIVIDEND		CLOSING QUOTATIONS.		
					At end of last year.	At end of last year.	Amount	W. heaped.	Closing.	Highst.	Lowest.
Banks.											
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Marine Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
North China Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Fuzhou Inner Association	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Chinese Insurance (in liquidation)	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Canton Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Switzerland Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Fire Insurances.											
Hongkong Fire Insur. Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Fire and Marine Insurances.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Docks.											
Hongkong & Whampoa Bank Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Steam-Boats.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Hongkong, Canton & Mart Steam-boat Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
China & Manilla N. S. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Steam Launch Company	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Refineries.											
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Wharves.											
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Tramways.											
Hongkong High-Level Tram ways Company, Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Mining.											
Perak Tin Mining & Smelting Co.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Funan & Sungkiu Dus Na mountain Mining Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Societe Francaise des Char bonnages du Tonkin	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Planting, &c.											
East Baracoa Planting Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Sungai Kayuh Planting Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Chita-Borneo Company, Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Lake Planting Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Darvel Bay Trading Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Hotels, Building, &c.											
Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Austin Arms Hotel & Building Company, Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	100	100	100,000	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Dispensaries.											
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	1,000,000	100	100	100,000							